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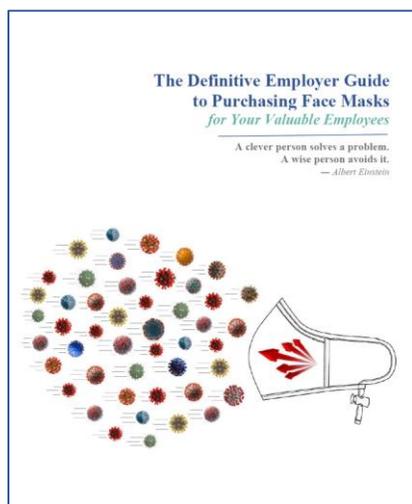
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Research Consortium *Announces Availability of Comprehensive Face Mask Guide for Employers*

(San Diego, CA) The TPA NETWORK **Research Consortium** announced today the availability of a comprehensive guide to assist employers with their management of the insurance, liability and risk exposure challenges attendant to their need to provide face masks to their employees. It was written by Richard Nicholas, a forty-year veteran of the healthcare industry, and author of several influential white papers on topics of interest to health plan sponsors, insurers and administrators.

Aptly entitled ***The Definitive Employer Guide to Purchasing Face Masks for Your Valued Employees*** this piece covers everything from viral transmission to antimicrobial filtration technologies to proper mask design



to methods by which to mitigate new employer regulatory compliance requirements. Available free, at 70+ pages (and 175+ cited sources), it is *the* most complete discussion of this topic. Having a concise three-page Summary Discussion, and able to be easily skimmed, employers who read the document will feel confident about formulating their face mask policy and making an informed buying decision that's right for them.

Health insurers, TPAs and benefit consultants are invited to distribute the guide to their clients as a means by which to advance a greater understanding of COVID-19, its transmission and ways that a face mask may be used to reduce community spread and possibly protect the wearer.

To download the document, go click the red **Employer Face Mask Guide** button above. To request permission to co-brand it, email the author Richard Nicholas at Richard@ResearchConsortium.org

The TPA NETWORK **Research Consortium** is an emerging industry-wide research initiative to help health plan sponsors evaluate new medical technologies and health innovations ...by conducting much needed payor-focused translational research and facilitating more, smarter and less costly clinical studies.

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